

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

June 11, 2008

Mr. Brian L. Wolff, Treasurer Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee 430 South Capitol Street, SE 2nd Floor Washington, DC 20003

Response Due Date: July 14, 2008

Identification Number: C00000935

Reference:

February Monthly Report (1/1/08-1/31/08)

Dear Treasurer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. Failure to adequately respond by the response date noted above could result in an audit or enforcement action. Additional information is needed for the following 7 items:

- 1. Your calculations for Line 8 appear to be incorrect. Cash-on-hand at the close of the current reporting period should always equal the closing calendar year-to-date cash-on-hand amount. Please provide the corrected total on the Summary Page.
- 2. Line 6(a) of the Summary Page represents the total cash-on-hand as of January 1, 2008. Line 6(b) represents the cash on hand at the beginning of the reporting period. These two figures should be the same for the first report of the year. Please clarify this discrepancy and amend any subsequent report(s) that may be affected by this correction.
- 3. Schedule A supporting Line 15 of your report discloses an offset to an operating expenditure(s) totaling \$4,730.44 from "USI Insurance Services" and "Paul Hodes for Congress"; however, your report(s) does not appear to disclose a disbursement to this entity. Please provide clarifying information regarding this activity and amend your report(s) if necessary.
- 4. On Schedule D of your previous report, you disclosed a debt(s) owed to "CapAd Communications, Inc." This obligation(s), however, has been omitted from this report. Please amend your report to include this debt(s)

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on Schedule D and Line 10 of the Summary Page. All debts and obligations must be disclosed until extinguished. 11 CFR §104.11

- 5. Please clarify all expenditures made for "Fundraising Services" on Schedule B. If a portion or all of these expenditures were made on behalf of specifically identified federal candidates, this amount should be disclosed on Schedules B, E or F supporting Lines 23, 24 or 25 and include the amount, name, address and office sought by each candidate. 11 CFR §§104.3(b) and 106.1
- 6. Itemized disbursements must include a brief statement or description of why the disbursements were made. Please amend Schedule B supporting Line(s) 21(b) of your report to clarify the following description(s): "Administrative Services" and "Fees." For further guidance regarding acceptable purposes of disbursements, please refer to 11 CFR §104.3(b)(3).
- 7. Schedule B of your report discloses a reimbursement(s) to an individual(s) for apparent travel and subsistence advances in which the total amount reimbursed exceeds \$500. When the reimbursement amount to staff for travel and subsistence advances exceeds \$500, the payments by committee staff that make up the reimbursement may have to be itemized. For example, if the related payment(s) to any one vendor by the staff aggregates in excess of \$200 for the calendar year, the payment(s) must be itemized as a memo entry for that reimbursement. Each memo entry must include the complete name and address of the original vendor, as well as the date, amount and an adequate purpose. Please amend your report to include the missing information and clearly identify on the Schedule B, which reimbursement each memo entry relates to. If itemization is not necessary for a particular reimbursement to staff in excess of \$500, you must clarify this in an amendment to this report. I1 CFR §104.9 and Advisory Opinion 1996-20, footnote 3

Please note, you will not receive an additional notice from the Commission on this matter. Adequate responses must be received by the Commission on or before the due date noted above to be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to taking enforcement action. Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered.

Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you should have any

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questions regarding this matter or wish to verify the adequacy of your response, please contact me on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 5 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or my local number (202) 694-1144.

Sincerely,

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Lov: Edward Ryan

Senior Campaign Finance Analyst

Reports Analysis Division

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